TENTATIVE

2005 COMMERCIAL FISHING REGULATIONS LAKE HELENA

These regulations will be in effect from January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005.

I. FISHING AREAS

- 1. The regulations provide for the harvest of carp and suckers with seines operated in specific parts of Lake Helena with the following restrictions:
 - a. Lake Helena. The lake is open to fishing January 1 through August 31 and following restrictions apply:

During the period January 1 through June 30:

The setting and anchoring of seines along the west shore (Township 11 North, Range 3 West, Sections 22, 26 and 27) must be restricted to specific sites as indicated on the attached map. Fishermen are not allowed to go ashore at site 2 (immediately north of the nesting structures) or at site 3 (gravel bar at the moth of Ten Mile Creek).

Seines, boats or other equipment must not be beached, anchored or otherwise be imposed on the west shore except at the indicated sites.

Fishing activity should be conducted in a manner that minimizes disturbance of waterfowl and avoids western grebes.

- 2. Permittee must notify the Department of seasonal schedule of operations prior to fishing.
- 3. A department representative will be allowed to accompany the fisherman on occasions to observer and collect biological data.
- 4. A summary of fishing activities and catch are to be submitted on forms provided by the Department. The report should indicate the dates and location of fishing efforts.

